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U.S. Judge Orders Garrison to Stop Prosecuting Shaw

NEW ORLEANS, May 27 (UPI)—A Federal judge ordered District Attorney Jim Garrison today to stop prosecuting Clay L. Shaw because Mr. Garrison had a "significant financial interest" in continued prosecution and in his Kennedy assassination investigation.

District Judge Herbert W. Christenberry said he would issue a permanent injunction blocking Mr. Garrison from prosecuting Mr. Shaw in Louisiana courts on a perjury charge.

Three days after Mr. Shaw was acquitted on March 1, 1969, on charges of having conspired with Lee Harvey Oswald and others to assassinate President Kennedy, Mr. Garrison filed perjury charges against Mr. Shaw.

Mr. Garrison said Mr. Shaw had lied when he testified he did not know Oswald or the other alleged co-conspirators.

Mr. Shaw brought suit in Federal court seeking to stop his prosecution, contending he had suffered and would suffer irreparable injury because of Mr. Garrison's continuing "misuse and abuse of the prosecutorial powers."

"All I can say is that it's wonderful," said Mr. Shaw, the 57-year-old retired managing director of the International Trade Mart in New Orleans.

"I haven't read the judge's decision yet. I haven't seen what the judge said. I just don't know what to say."

Assistant district attorney Andrew Sciambra said that "we'll probably get a copy of the decision tomorrow, and Jim will read it and probably have something to say about it."